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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have implemented several Technology Missions to develop agricultural sector in the country?

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the outlay fixed for each missions; and

(c) the schemes being launched during the current year under these technology Missions?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) The various Technology Missions are as under :-

(i) Technology Mission on Oilseeds, Pulses and Maize:

The Technology Mission on Oilseeds, Pulses and Maize has been set up forincreasing the production of oilseeds, pulses and maize in the country. The following schemes are being implemented by the Mission;

(a) Oilseeds Production Programme.

(b) National Pulses Development Project.

(c) Oil Palm Development Programme.

(d) Accelerated Maize Development Programme.

(e) Research and Development of Post Harvest Technology in Oilseeds and Pulses.

(f) Development of tree-borne oilseeds by National Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils Development Board.

The current years outlay for the implementation of the scheme of the Mission is Rs.165 crores.

(ii) Technology Mission on Cotton:
The Technology Mission on Cotton attempts to bring together the entire gamut ofresearch, development and marketing of cotton under one umbrella and the Intensive Cotton Development Programme has been launched under this Technology Mission.

The current year's outlay for the implementation of the scheme of the Mission isRs.64.60 Crores under the ICDP on Cotton for the current year.

(iii) Technology Mission on Dairy Development:

The Technology Mission on Dairy Development was set up for bringing abouteffective coordination among various Government programmes, increase milk production from 44 million metric tonnes to 61 million metric tonnes and increase animal productivity.

The Mission was closed on 31.3.99. However, ongoing activities continued till 31.3.2000.

Besides above, it is also proposed to launch a new Technology Mission for the Integrated Development of Horticulture in the North-Eastern States including Sikkim.